

Application Process:

To receive an application, contact Anne Baird or Rich Niccum (see contact information on back panel).

Deadline for submitting an application is July 1, 2014.

Spaces in the 2014 class will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Class size is limited to 30 participants.

You must be at least 18 years old to apply.

Cost:

Registration is \$150.00 due within two weeks of admission to the program.

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OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION



Become an Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist

Central Ohio Chapter (Franklin and Delaware Counties)

OCVN Mission:

To promote awareness and citizen stewardship of Ohio's natural resources through science-based education and community service



CENTRAL OHIO CHAPTER

Class Schedule

See the class schedule below, right for details. Class locations will vary from week to week to help acquaint participants with natural areas around Central Ohio. Programs are held on Tuesday evenings (6pm-9:00pm) and Saturdays (9am-3:00pm).



The 2014 Class Schedule



Certification Requirements:

To become an Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist, you must:

- Complete 40 hours of combined classroom and field instruction
- Perform 40 hours of approved volunteer service within the first year
- After certification, 20 hours of volunteer service and 8 hours of advanced training are required annually



Learn more about the OCVN program at ocyn.osu.edu.

Program Benefits:

Learn about the biology, ecology and natural history of Ohio from many of the state's leading experts.

Become part of a local and statewide network of dedicated volunteers.

Apply your talents and passion to protecting, restoring and understanding Ohio's natural treasures.

| DATE | TOPIC | PRESENTER | Location |
|------------|------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| TU - 8/19 | Orientation | | Shale Hollow |
| TU - 9/2 | Ecological Concepts | Jeff Dickenson | Stratford Ecological Center |
| TU - 9/ 9 | Entomology | Rich Bradley | Deer Haven |
| SAT - 9/13 | Aquatic Life and Herpetology | Preservation Parks naturalists | Deer Haven |
| TU – 9/16 | Watersheds | Kristen Piper / Joe Bonnell / Anne Baird | Mingo Park |
| SAT - 9/20 | Plants / Forests | Bob Harter / Jim Davidson Kathy Smith / Andy Londo | Stratford Ecological Center |
| TU - 9/23 | Stewardship | Jeff Dickenson/ Clyde Gosnell | Stratford Ecological Center |
| TU - 9/30 | Soils | Donna Rhea | TBA |
| TU - 10/7 | Mammals | TBA | Ohio Wildlife Center |
| SAT -10/11 | Ornithology / Geology | Jason Larson/Scott Brockman | Indian Village |
| TU - 10/14 | Nature Interpretation | Rich Niccum / Suzan Jervey | Deer Haven |
| TU - 10/21 | Wrap-up and pot luck | | Shale Hollow |

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